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## Letter from Anne Whitney, to Adeline Manning, 1872 November 22

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[Has to be 1872]

[AAM's hand:] 72?

Orway Exp. Nov 22, 73



I work like a grey-horse - & God knows what I do - for I don't - it is 10 o'clock - I have just been up stairs to refresh my intellects with brown. for I & I have fasted. Dolan has pointed that bet nearly all over - such astonishing pointing as Casew's led made is fast conception - apparently the mouth alone was cut below the mark. The larger portion of it - runs in & crosses all the way up to the 16th & 17th of an inch. Dolan turned to me as I stood quietly looking at these revelations. & gravely remarked - "The only reason I can see for this is that they don't suppose the 17th of an inch of any importance" - I am unimpressedly rejoiced with

the thing - The hair looks  
like cordage - or like Medusa's.  
Dolan has worked well  
on it - & his eye is better  
than mine for copying my  
own work. I think he is the  
first man I have seen whom  
I wd be willing to trust on such  
a thing. If failed or anybody  
wd. come I send me \$2.00 now  
& Ray takes it & give me a  
good copy of "Reels" - I wd let  
Dolan take it & do it for me I  
think he wd do it better  
than I - & then I wd throw  
this one away & hope to be for  
once fairly represented in  
marble - But I hate the stuff.  
let people who want it go to  
Carraway not come to me - Plainly  
I am not to live in that material.  
I can't look at the old woman  
or yr bust <sup>sometimes</sup> without wishing an  
earthquake wd. swallow them.

From letters below Carrie  
while yr father was calling  
this morning. I am glad Sarah  
I hope Manning?



is so pleasantly established.  
Give her dear remembrance  
& say that I am coming & see  
her before Jan? is not near. No,  
Dec. Jan - yes - I can't come  
then - but I will cherish the  
hope & <sup>hope</sup> will warm into  
belief, & belief is in the direct  
line of action! how I shall like  
to see her! —

Dr. W. is largely  
endeavouring to call your symptoms  
better. When you have been  
suffering somewhat. My poor  
love. You will be back again  
a week from tomorrow perhaps.  
I shall be happy enough — but  
I must hope that you will get  
better in this fortnight. Sarah  
will take good care of you.  
& then you will rejoice my heart  
with the sight of beaming health  
in your face. I never expected to see  
your father looking so well - so full  
in the face. how capital it is!  
I have not been to my dear

Suffering this week. It has  
been hard to stay away - but as  
I was of little actual use & the  
going is an additional tax upon  
my strength - wh I have especially  
needed this week - I have stuck  
to the studio. Carrie was in  
yesterday & brought in the joyful  
intelligence that Sarah really  
thought herself better. Father was  
no worse - Joan - I tremble

when I think what a treasure  
she is turning out to be - She is  
"active stirring - all fine" - she  
twists' our housekeeping round her  
little finger. Asked me if I had  
some sewing for her - can mend - can  
make indoors - fits & makes her own  
dresses - makes a skirt - 2. Yes - Can  
do anything - She can set a table.  
Says she never forgets - once told - I  
believe her. She can go to a doctor  
& find any body you want to send her  
to - can do ten errands without  
a man. Heavens! - she belongs to  
the millennium. You teach her - when  
you come! - Lumps! -

If your papa calls tomorrow I have  
my letter ready to send by him - Come  
back - come back -